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Response to Amendment

1. Claims 1, 4-6, 8-11, 15-17, 19-24, 26, 28, 29, and 35-40 are pending. Claims 1, 11, 17, 26, and 35 have been amended and claims 36-40 have been added in this communication filed 05/05/05 entered as Response After Non-Final Action and request for Extension of Time.

The amendment filed on 05/05/05 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): The Applicants' reply does not comply with 37 C.F.R. 1.11 (b) because it does not include arguments pointing out specific distinctions believed to render the added new claim(s) 35-40 are patentable over the applied references. See 37 C.F.R. 1.111 (b). Since the above- mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, the Applicants' are given a time period of **ONE (1)**MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment.

Extensions of this time period maybe granted under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 (a).

This action is **NON-FINAL**. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Ella Colbert whose telephone number is 571-272-6741. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday, 6:30AM-5:00PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Vincent Millin can be reached on 571-272-6747. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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